

MINUTES OF THE PAWLET SELECT BOARD

February 7, 2012

7:00PM Meeting called to order by chair Mike Beecher

Present: Sue LaPorte, Joe Clark, Mike Beecher, Bob Jones

Audience Present: Joy Slusarek, Elizabeth Gibson

The minutes of January 24, 2012 were reviewed. *Motion by Joe, seconded by Sue, to accept the minutes with corrections. So voted.*

Audience:

Joy Slusarek is attending the meeting as a new resident of Pawlet.

Elizabeth Gibson: The newsletter will be mailed tomorrow.

- There is a Feb. 15 meeting at the Mettawee Community School to define the educational goals for the children. The public is invited to participate.
- Approved Select board minutes are now posted on the town website.
- Planning Commission and Energy Group minutes will be on the website as well.
- Warnings will also be on the website.
- The Town Report will be included.
- Elizabeth attended an energy group meeting in Montpelier. Elizabeth spoke and updated the State on what Pawlet is doing. About 30 towns attended along with representatives from the state.
- There will be an Energy Group presentation by Bill Leberge next week (Monday, Feb. 13, 7PM) about sustainable communities.

Correspondence:

The Clerk's memo was reviewed:

• The library was not aware that the appointed trustee position needed to be voted on again this year.

- Letter from UCS stating that there will no longer be a Bennington Cycle Club race through the town this year.
- Per Clarence Decker: Copy of documentation to and From Wade Masure (VLCT) regarding some hazards that needed to be addressed.
- Letter from VT Dept. of Environmental Conservation regarding the West Pawlet Wastewater Treatment Facility Proposed Refurbishment Project.
- Notification from VT Department of Environmental Conservation regarding a Pawlet property that has been added to the VT Active Hazardous Sites List
- Letter from Daniel Kibling expressing some concerns regarding mining in this neighborhood. I did call him and give him information on how to contact MSHA regarding filing complaints regarding mining. (1-800-746-1553 or msha.gov)
- Judy asked me to remind you in January or February about putting mowing out to bid.
- The town report is at the printer and has been sent electronically to Elizabeth Gibson. We are hoping she can add it to the web-site.

VT DEC letter from Jeff Fehrs, environmental engineer, regarding the Wastewater Treatment upgrade. Peter Pochop also received a copy of the letter.

FYI memo regarding petroleum contamination at the Freilich residence, 378 VT Route 133

Mike will talk to Dave Ricard regarding the Kibling letter to the town.

Regarding lawn mowing, Joe will ask Judy exactly what has to be mowed and ask Deb to post it in the paper.

Planning Commission grant paperwork needs to be reviewed and signed by the board. Mike reviewed the document and signed it.

Unfinished Business:

Keith has three firm truck proposals for the new truck. The three companies are offering a similar amount for our truck. Keith will put the firm proposals together once he gets the final information and give it to the board early next week to review. The old sanders were sold.

Joe had Rouse cap two tires so far for the Town and Keith has gotten these back.

Mike said Leon Corey's excavator is at Rosenthal's and the ditch is in progress.

Work is in progress on the plans for restoring the green.

New Business:

Sue is not running for the select board. She will continue to work on the energy committee and will help on building related matters with Joe. There is no one running for her position.

Motion by Sue, seconded by Joe, to have the Energy Group contact Efficiency Vermont to evaluate street lights and see if it would be beneficial to upgrade to LEDs. So voted.

Sue said the board needs to discuss insulation at the library and the basement of the town hall.

Any Other Business:

Mike asked if the Planning Commission meeting minutes were posted, as he had not received a copy. They did not find any posted at the town hall or in the select board mail boxes.

8:25PM *Motion to adjourn by Sue, so voted.*

Respectfully submitted,

Karen Folger, clerk